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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The following reply is responsive to the Requirement for Restriction mailed August 12, 2002, due for a response on September 12, 2002 and Applicant requests that the time period be extended for a period of three months so as to be due December 12, 2002.

In the Requirement for Restriction, the Examiner requested election of one of the following groups:

- Group I: Claims 1-36 and 43-66, drawn to a method of use with a composition comprising a compound represented by formula (I) or (II).
- Group II: Claims 37-38, drawn to composition comprising a compound represented by formula (I) or (II).
- Group III: Claims 39-40, drawn to a composition comprising one or more cells.

Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1-36 and 43-66, drawn to a method of use with a composition comprising a compound represented by formula (I) or (II) without traverse.

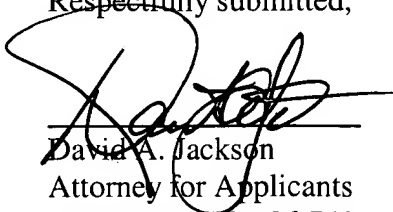
Fees

Three month's extension of time fees are believed to be necessitated by the instant response. However, should this be in error, authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account no. 11-1153 for any underpayment, or to credit any overpayments.

CONCLUSION

Examination on the merits thereafter is courteously requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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